**Strong Squad Classroom Policies**

**Code of Conduct**

Sanford Creek Elementary School follows a Positive Behavior Support Program. Our class will earn eggs/wings for good behavior in the hallways, specials’ classes, and cafeteria. Classes achieving various levels of wings earn special privileges. Individual students exhibiting good behavior can earn tickets to spend in our “Blue Jay Nest.” In the classroom students can earn a “wad” of cash to spend in our classroom auction. Auctions will be held periodically throughout the year. The following is our Classroom Code of Conduct:

* Keep your body in control
* Be respectful to others
* Be sharing and caring
* Be honest
* Think before you speak
* Listen
* Set the example
* Take good care of Classroom Equipment
* Pay attention! It pays off!

Students who need continual reminders to follow the Code of Conduct will receive the following:

* #1 Verbal warning
* #2 Behavior modification (change seats/location, Hall Talk, etc.)
* #3 Parent notification 1 (the student will write a letter to the parent describing the behavior and the consequences. Parent should sign the letter and return to school the following day).
* #4 Parent notification 2 (the teacher will email or call the parent)
* #5 Office Visit

All reminders/Notifications will be documented on our Minor/Major Behavior Forms.

**Homework Policy**

Homework is assigned each weeknight, Monday-Thursday, and occasionally on Friday. Homework assignments are communicated as follows:

* Assignments are written daily on the board.
* Students will copy the assignments in their Student Agenda.
* Assignments are also included in the weekly newsletter, emailed to parents, and posted on the 5th Grade wikispace.
* Homework is due the following day. Homework is checked daily.
* Students completing three weeks of homework will earn a HOMEWORK PASS.
* Projects will also be assigned throughout the quarter. Students will be given plenty of notice to complete projects. All projects/assignments should be each student’s own work.

**Classroom Procedures**

**Bathroom:** As a class, we will go to the bathroom after specials, before lunch, and after recess. Students may use the restroom at other times as needed, EXCEPT during instruction.

**Pencil Sharpening:** Students may sharpen pencils before the morning bell and at dismissal. Students should have two sharpened pencils on their desks. I will have extra pencils if a student needs a sharp pencil. **Students may NOT sharpen pencils at their desks or during instruction.** Students should store their pencils in their pencil pouch in their desks.

**Snack:** Snacks should be personal size, healthy, mess free, and easy for the student to manage. **No candy or soda!** Please be sure to provide a spoon/fork if needed. Time is provided for a working snack immediately following our Special, around 10:15. Students may keep a water bottle with a cap at their desks for **water** consumption only (clear water only, please).

**Communication**

**Email:** You may reach me by email at: [tstrong@wcpss.net](mailto:tstrong@wcpss.net). I will check my email at least twice daily.

**Folders:** Communication folders will be sent home on Monday/Tuesday each week. Please sign and return the conduct report for the week following the date listed. I will also include graded work papers, which should be signed and returned as well.

**Web:** You may access the Sanford Creek 5th Grade Wikispace at [**www.**sanfordcreek5th.wikispaces.com](http://www.sanfordcreek5th.wikispaces.com)for important information including my newsletters, projects, and other important practice links. You will also be able to access my website – COMING SOON.